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Negro History Week February 7-14

NEGRO HISTORY FACTS . . .

NEGRO SCIENTISTS:
JAMES McCUNE SMITH, physician and anthropologist combatting the theory of racial inferiority.

CHARLES H. TURNER, specialist in animal behavior — ants and bees.

ERNEST EVERETT JUST, an authority on marine biology, life at the bottom of the sea.

GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER, an agricultural chemist, working especially with peanuts and sweet potatoes.

WILLIAM AUGUSTUS HINTON, discoverer of a test and cure for a social disease.

PERCY L. JULIAN, an authority on the use of the soy bean in modern industry and medicine.

CHARLES R. DREW, a surgeon and demonstrator of the value and use of the blood bank.

NEGRO INVENTORS:
BENJAMIN BANNEKER, a surveyor, an astronomer and the maker of the first clock produced in the United States.

NORBERT RILLIEUX, the inventor of the Vacuum Pan for refining sugar.

JAN MATZELIGER, the inventor of the Lasting Machine by which the manufacture of shoes was revolutionized.

GRANVILLE T. WOODS, the inventor of many electrical appliances which helped to electrify modern life.

ELIJAH MCCOY, the inventor of the Lubricating Cup which facilitated the oiling of machinery.

NEGRO MUSICIANS:
SAMUEL COLERIDGE-TAYLOR, the greatest composer produced in England during the last two centuries.

HARRY T. BURLEIGH, a noted baritone devoted to the adaptation of the spirituals.

ROLAND HAYES, once acclaimed as the world's greatest tenor since Caruso.

ROLAND HAYES, the celebrated contralto with a voice which appears only once in a century.

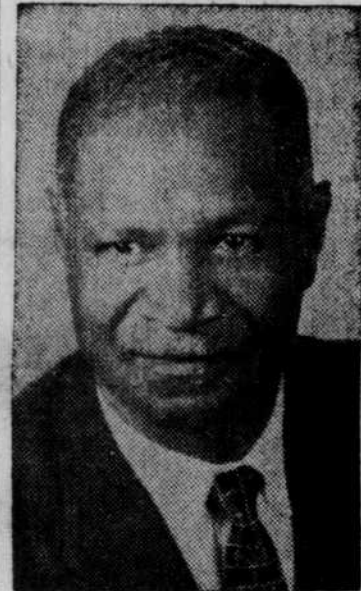
DOROTHY MYNOR, the well-known soprano moving multitudes on both continents.

WILL MARION COOK, a trained artist with a deep penetration of Negro Life.

The Association for the Study of Negro Life and History, Inc., founded, September 9, 1915 by Carter Godwin Woodson, has announced this year's observance of Negro History Week for February 7 through the 14th. This year's Theme: "Strengthening America Through Education in Negro History and African Culture."

The first Negro History Week celebration was launched in February, 1926 by Dr. Carter Godwin Woodson, and was a short period devoted to public exercises emphasizing the salient facts of history influenced by Negroes—mainly facts brought to light by the researches and publications of the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History, during its first eleven years. This effort was widely supported by schools, churches and clubs among Negroes and the movement gradually found support among institutions of other races in America and abroad. Today the celebration enjoys

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FAMOUS COACH TO BE HONORED — Coach A. S. "Jake" Gaither of the Florida A&M University Rattlers will be honored as the "Coach of the Decade" during the 100 Per Cent Wrong Club banquet at the Wauhatche Hotel in Atlanta Friday night, January 29. During the past decade, Gaither's grid teams have won 81 games, lost 10, and four ties. The '59 football squad, winner of the National Negro Collegiate Football Championship, will receive the Scott Memorial Trophy which is symbolic of the NNCFC.

ALL GREEK DAY AT UTICA, FEBRUARY 14

The preparation for the annual Greek Day at Utica Junior College, which will be held Sunday, February 14 at 1:00 p. m. is nearing conclusion.

SOME OF THE SIDELINES OF GREEK DAY. Along with the Greeks, is a group of non-Greeks that include the wives and sweethearts of the Greeks. They are specially entertained during the period when the organizations are having their individual monthly meetings. This has become one of the highlights of Greek Day. There is a special section for children who come with the Greeks. They are the guests of the campus children during this period.

FASHION PARADE AT GREEK DAY. One of the unofficial features at Greek Day is the fashion fair. Greek Day comes just on the eve of spring and the ladies with their most exclusive furs, apparel, latest styles from the style centers of the nation, simply look as pretty as pictures.

Greek Day is the close of the winter's styles and the opening of the spring. This gives a touch of delight to

Greek Day. The nation wide project of each Greek-letter organization is played up during this period. It is designed to focus community attention on the many worthy projects of Greek-letter organizations such as scholarships.

Utica Junior College faculty plays annual host to Greek Day, which includes an extension period of preparation. The Utica Faculty choir appeared annually on Greek Day. The college band under the direction of Mr. Louis Lee has been a feature of Greek Day since its founding. Special tribute will be paid to the founders of Greek Day who are President and Mrs. J. D. Boyd, Alcorn; James Bolden, Alcorn; and President Walter Washington, Utica Junior College.

The speaker will be the Regional Director of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Miss Julia Sutts Polk, Jackson.

ADULT BASKETBALL TEAM
The Adult Basketball Team is growing and you too may become a member on Monday at 5:30 P. M. or Wednesday at 5:00 P. M.



THE FIRST COLORED SENATOR AND REPRESENTATIVES in the 41st and 42nd Congress of the United States. . . Entered according to act of Congress in the year 1872 by Currier & Ives, in the Office of the Librarian of Congress at Washington, D. C. . . The above picture is published as a contribution to the Negro History Week Observance. Shown standing, from left are: Robert C. DeLarge, M. C. of S. C.; Jefferson H. Long, M. C. of Ga. Seated: U. S. Senator H. R. Revels, of Mississippi; Benj. S. Turner, M. C. of Alabama; Josiah T. Walls, M. C., of Fla.; Joseph H. Rainey, M. C. of S. C.; R. Brown Elliott, M. C. of S. C.

Baptist Retirement Fund Soars to \$75,000 Total

By B. H. LOGAN

HOT SPRINGS, Ark.—Vocalists were the applause when Dr. J. H. Jackson announced the retirement Baptist fund total was now \$75,000. He read a list of persons who had sent money to the president's office for the convention and the retirement fund.

The Revs. Eugene Wallace of Mississippi and C. L. Franklin of Detroit, contributed \$1,000 each for the retirement fund. Several pastors contributed \$100, and some less. Mrs. Willa Jones made a fine report for the retirement fund committee. She made it clear that the funds for retirement had been kept in tact and that the convention had paid the administrative cost of operating the fund.

Dr. C. C. Washington reported for the Sunday School Publishing Board. A beautiful booklet giving the truth about the publishing house was distributed among the audience.

Dr. Jesse Jai McNeil delivered a thrilling message on the plans for improving the publications of the convention. One brother in the audience shouted the publishing house is in good hands. He referred to the reports of Drs. Washington and McNeil.

The report of the American Baptist Seminary by the trustees was led by the Rev. I. H. Henderson Jr. and president of the seminary, Dr. Maynard P. Turner.

The annual meeting places of the convention for the next four years are 1960, Philadelphia; 1961, Kansas City; 1962, Milwaukee; and 1963, Cleveland.

It is anticipated that the National Baptist Convention of America will also meet with the National Baptist Convention USA, Inc. in joint session in 1963.

The amount of \$15,000 in cash was raised for the convention and retirement fund, and \$13,000 in pledges for the convention's program of evangelism. Dr. Jackson was praised by many who attended the meeting for his broad vision and alertness in keeping the convention abreast with the time.

For three consecutive years speakers from the National Baptist Convention of America have been featured in the mid-year meetings of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. Dr. C. D. Pettaway, president, spoke the first year, in 1959; Dr. A. A. Lucas, of Texas, treasurer (Continued on Page 2)

Keynote Speaker For Campbell's Annual Founders Day

JACKSON, Miss., Feb. 3. —

Attorney Vince Monroe Townsend, Jr., Los Angeles Attorney will be the keynote speaker during the Annual Founders' Day Observance at the J. P. Campbell College. Attorney Townsend has a wealth of experience, and a rich educational background. He is a graduate of Wilberforce University and the Howard University Law School. His post graduate study has included work in the Education Research Department at Columbia University, and Legal Study at the University of Southern California. He has bar membership in California, Arkansas, and United States District Court for the Southern District of California as well as the Ninth Federal Circuit Court of Appeals, and the Bar of the Supreme Court of the United States. Attorney Townsend has been a Practicing and General Attorney since 1942. Among his many affiliations he is a Prince Hall Mason, Grand Regional Director of the Elks Civil Liberties Department, a Shriner, a mem-



ber of the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists, the Los Angeles County Civic Auditorium Advisory Commission, and a member of the American Bar Association. Attorney Townsend will address the Founders' Day gathering on the topic, "Prospect vs Retrospect." The Founders' Day Program will open, Tuesday, February 9, 10:30 a. m. in the S. L. Greene Auditorium of the J. P. Campbell College.

Executive Board of Negro H.M.A. Meet On Southern U. Campus

The Executive Board of the National Negro Home Demonstration Agents' Association met on the campus of Southern University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, January 16-17 to perfect plans for the third annual meeting that will be held in Austin, Texas in October 1960. Mrs. Bernice D. McKay, national president, of Athens, Texas, presided over the business sessions. The Board chose as its 1960 theme, "Techniques of Evaluation To Be Used in Home Demonstration Work."

Many interesting specialists have been chosen from the U. S. D. A. office in Washington, D. C. to speak on the program theme at the annual meeting. Those in attendance from the various states were: Arkansas — Mrs. Marguerite P. Williams, Mrs. Iola B. Rhone, Mrs. Clothilde M. Shivers and Mrs. Carreather F. Banks; Florida — Mrs. Ethel M. Pow-

ell, and Miss Floy Britt; Texas — Mrs. P. R. Brown, Miss Juanita Williams, Miss Vera S. Dial, Miss Meatra Harris, Miss Myrtle Garrett, and Mrs. Fannie Taylor; Mississippi — Mrs. Lillian O. Palmer, Mrs. Sadie C. Hill, Mrs. Esther Reed, Mrs. Wealtha R. Cox; Georgia — Miss Dorothy Barden; Louisiana — Mrs. Rosa P. Blockwood, Mrs. Georgia D. Sanders, Mrs. Cannon and Mrs. Amelia J. Lewis.

The board enjoyed a delightful luncheon, a special courtesy of the University Home Economics Department with Miss Pinkie E. Thrift, Director of Home Economics, as hostess.

Mrs. Amelia J. Lewis, Assistant State Home Demonstration Agent for Louisiana, entertained the board with a seated coffee.

Mrs. Cannon, Home Demonstration Agent for Louisiana, (Continued on Page 2)

Dr. McAllister To Attend White House Conference

Dr. Jane Ellen McAllister, Professor of Education at Jackson State College, has been invited to participate in the meetings of the Golden Anniversary Conference on Children and Youth to be held in the City of Washington, March 27 through April 1, 1960.

White House Conferences on Children and Youth had their beginning in 1919 during the administration of President Woodrow Wilson. Other conferences were in 1930 and 1940. After the 1940 White House Conference on Children in a (Continued on Page 2)

Sammy Tells Why He Became a Jew

CHICAGO — Production of the smash hit picture "Porgy and Bess" was once held up for one day at a cost of \$30,000 because its diminutive star, Sammy Davis, Jr., took the day off in observance of Yom Kippur, The Day of Atonement (a Jewish Holiday).

Sammy tells of this incident in the February issue of EBONY Magazine, in an article entitled "Why I Became A Jew," as told to Trude B. Feldman, daughter of a rabbi, who is teaching the versatile Negro entertainer Hebrew.

"What's this I hear, Sammy, you won't be on the set tomorrow," producer Samuel Goldwyn called me from Hollywood," Sammy recounts. "I told him I was following the tenets of Judaism and would not work on Yom Kippur. He mumbled 'bless you' and hung up."

He also tells how some of his close Jewish friends tried to persuade him not to join the faith "because (as a Negro) you have two strikes against you now," and how the auto accident in which he lost an eye may have helped him to decide to become a Jew.

"But I wanted to become a Jew because it gave me inner strength . . . because Judaism held an honesty and spiritual peace . . . because it was the answer to a life filled with confusion and uncertainty."

"I am a Jew and I'm proud of it," he says in EBONY.

THRILL KILLER GETS LIFE

SAVANNAH, Ga. — A 17-year old white girl was sentenced to life imprisonment Wednesday night for the thrills of a Negro teen-ager.

Prosecutor Andrew J. Ryan told the all-male jury the fatal

pistol shooting of Joel Ross, 17, was a "thrill killing . . . the most senseless slaying I ever heard of."

Auburn-haired Katie Ann Creel testified at an earlier hearing that she was under the influence of drugs when she fired at Ross from a moving car. Her lawyer said she shot Ross by accident while firing in the air and "making like Annie Oakley."

Defense Attorney Allen Wallace told the jury that Miss Creel is "one step away from insanity."

Miss Creel broke down in tears after testifying in her own defense.

William L. Johnson, driver of the cab from which the girl fired the fatal shot, will be tried later on a charge of murder.

Lanier Student Ranks High On CIEP Test

By Melvin C. Wiggins
Fred Lee Banks, Jr., a senior at Lanier High School, ranked among the top quarter of the 120 high school seniors qualifying under the National Scholarship Service Fund for Negro students.

To qualify for an award under this program, Fred took the Cooperative Inter-collegiate Examination Program test in competition with several hundred seniors of the Jackson area. By scoring so highly on the test, he automatically becomes eligible for a scholarship award to attend the college of his choice, provided his choice is one that participates in the program.

Banks, the older of the two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lee Banks, Sr., lives at 713 Campbell Street. His father is a mortician, and his mother is a registered nurse.

Aside from being an achiever scholastically, Fred plays basketball on the school varsity team and is quite active in student government. Having won his letter in basketball, he naturally is active in the Letter "L" Club.

Because he is above the average in mathematical ability, Fred plans to pursue math as a major in college. His interest and ability in mathematics possibly stem from his father, who himself was exceptionally good in math during his college days.

J. S. C. To Hold Annual Mid-Year Conf. Feb. 13

Jackson State College will hold its Second Annual Mid-Year Follow-Up Conference Saturday, February 13, according to an announcement by Lee E. Williams, Director of Teacher Training at the College. This year's conference is planned especially for 1958 and 1959 graduates. The purposes of the Conference, according to Williams, are (1) to determine what the College can do to assist its graduates who are beginning teachers and (2) to improve the College's teacher-education program through the evaluation of the teaching experiences of the first and second year teaching of the 1958 and 1959 graduates.

Registration will begin at 8:00 a. m. with the first general session scheduled to begin at 8:30 a. m. in the Dansby Hall Lecture Room.

Bill Doggett And Orch. To Play For Dances at the Vicksburg City Auditorium, Saturday February 6; At Greenwood Elk Hall, Feb. 8



THE SENSATIONAL BILL DOGGETT with his Orchestra and Organ will play for dances at the Vicksburg City Auditorium in Vicksburg, Miss., Saturday night, February 6 and at the Greenwood Elk Hall, Greenwood, Miss., Monday, February 8. This year's Show and Dance is expected to be the 'best' by the Doggett aggregation, for helping to make the band a well-rounded one is singer, Dave Turner, the Chicago-born lad who gets as

much applause for his mimicry as he does for his vocalizing. Turner almost near perfect impersonations of such celebs as Nat King Cole, Johnny Ray, Billy Daniels and Louis Armstrong. Make plans now to see and hear BILL DOGGETT, his Orchestra and Organ at Vicksburg City Auditorium, Feb. 6 and Greenwood Elk Hall, Feb. 8. Advance tickets, \$1.75; At Door, \$2.00. Advance tickets sold at regular places.